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| FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR § 1.63) | COMPLETE IF KNOWN | |
| Declaration Submitted with Initial Filing Submitted after Initial Filing (surcharge 37 CFR § 1.16(e) required) | Application No.: | 10/698286 |
| | Filing Date: | October 31, 2003 |
| | Art Unit: | |
| | Examiner Name: | |
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| INDUCTIVE HEATING DEVICE INCLUDING A | IN INDUCTIVE COUPLING ASSEMBLY |
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| The specification of which | |
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| was filed on October 31, 2003 As United States Application No. | 10/698286 |
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| and was amended on | (if applicable). |

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